

City of Deer Park
Regular Council Meeting
City Municipal Building
July 23, 2007

Acting President of Council Joe Comer (in President Mc Goron's absence) called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a prayer.

The clerk read the roll. Mr. Allen, Mr. Diehm, Mr. Hall, Mrs. Hedger, Mr. Rapp and Mr. Tegenkamp were present.

Mrs. Hedger made motion to accept the July 9, 2007 council and two public hearing minutes. Seconded by Mr. Allen. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

LEGISLATIVE AND FINANCE

Mrs. Hedger had the clerk read RESOLUTION 07-20 A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A SPECIAL PARKING-VARIANCE TO ALLOW CONSTRUCTION OF AN ADDITION TO A COMMERCIAL STRUCTURE AT 8318 PLAINFIELD ROAD AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mrs. Hedger moved to waive the three reading rule. Seconded by Mr. Allen. Motion carried with an all yes roll call vote.

Mrs. Hedger moved to waive the 24 hour notification rule. Seconded by Mr. Allen. Motion carried with all yes votes per roll call.

Mrs. Hedger moved to adopt. Seconded by Mr. Allen. Ordinance adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

Mrs. Hedger had the clerk read RESOLUTION 07-21 A RESOLUTION TO APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A SPECIAL PERMIT-VARIANCE TO ALLOW CONSTRUCTION OF AN ADDITION TO A RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURE AT 4119 OAKWOOD AVENUE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mrs. Hedger moved to suspend the three reading rule. Seconded by Mr. Allen. Motion passed by all yes roll call vote.

Mrs. Hedger moved to waive the 24-hour notification. Seconded by Mr. Allen. Motion carried by all yes roll call vote.

Mrs. Hedger moved to adopt. Seconded by Mr. Allen. Ordinance adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

The Tax Commissioners' corrected reports for the months of April and May and the June report were reviewed. Mrs. Hedger moved to accept, seconded by Mr. Allen. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

The Auditor and Treasurer Reports for the month of June were reviewed. Mrs. Hedger moved to accept, seconded by Mr. Allen. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

SAFETY

Mr. Allen had nothing to report.
Chief Schlie is on vacation.

PUBLIC WORKS

Mr. Tegenkamp reported the Galbraith Road water main project is finished.
Patching of the roads in sections has started by the service department. Webster Avenue west of Brookline is now done.
The chains on the swings in Chamberlain Park have been replaced.

Safety Service Director Berens introduced Crystal Kendrick to talk about the Hamilton County HIP Loan Program. (Hamilton County Property Improvement Program) Crystal is President of The Voice of Your Customer consulting firm. Hamilton County has hired her to promote HIP.

This program allows homeowners to borrow up to \$50,000.00 for upgrades-remodel – repair to property. The loans are 3% below your bank offer on the loan.
The four steps are 1) download application 2) The property needs to be in Hamilton County 3) property cannot be valued at more than \$350,000.00 4) Obtain loan from bank.

There is still \$21 million available for 2007.

Per Mr. Berens Deer Park may promote this on their website or newsletter. A few residents have taken advantage of the loan.

Communication from clerk included letter from Duke Energy concerning their intent to file for rate increase with the Public Utilities Commission.
There was also a letter from Time-Warner Cable about newly available stations in Spanish.

Council recessed at 7:22 to go into executive session

Council came out of session at 7:43 and official meeting was adjourned.

Pat McGoron
President of Council

Patricia Stewart
Clerk of Council Pro-Tem